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FULL TEXT OF COLLINS RESOLUTION REFEREED TO REFTEL
FOLLOWS:

QUOTE:

WHEREAS THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE DEATH OF STEVE
BIKO ON SEPTEMBER 12, 1977, WHILE HE WAS BEING DETAINED
BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA, HAVE
AROUSSED DEEP CONCERN AMONG AMERICANS AND WITHIN THE
WORLD COMMUNITY; AND

WHEREAS THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA
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ON OCTOBER 19, 1977, TOOK A SERIES OF REPRESSIVE MEASURES
AGAINST BLACK AND WHITE OPPONENTS OF ITS APARTHEID
POLICY, INCLUDING THE CLOSING OF NEWSPAPERS, THE OUTLAWING
OF PEACEFUL RELIGIOUS AND SOCIAL GROUPS, AND THE DETENTION
OF "BANNING" OF SOUTH AFRICAN CITIZENS; AND

WHEREAS THESE REPRESSIVE MEASURES REPRESENT A SERIOUS

VIOLATIONS OF THE RIGHTS OF THE PERSONS AND ORGANIZATIONS
AFFECTED AND WILL FURTHER ISOLATE THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA AS A MEMBER OF THE
INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY; AND

WHEREAS THE UNITED STATES HOLDS SUCH ACTIONS TO BE
UNACCEPTABLE: NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (THE SENATE
CONCURRING) THAT THE CONGRESS STRONGLY DENOUNCES THE
ABOVE ACTS COMMITTED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC
OF SOUTH AFRICA WHICH SUPPRESS THE EXPRESSION OF
POLITICAL THOUGHT AND VIOLATE THE RIGHTS OF THE
INDIVIDUAL, AND URGES THE PRESIDENT TO TAKE EFFECTIVE
MEASURES AGAINST THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA IN ORDER
TO REGISTER THE DEEP CONCERN OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE
ABOUT THE CONTINUED VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN
THAT COUNTRY. END QUOTE CHRISTOPHER

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